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OF THE

CHICKASAW

Baptist Association

HELD WITH

Cherry Creek Baptist Church

September 14, 15, and 16

1897

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FIRST DAY—MORNING SESSION.

The Fifty Eighth Annual Session of the Chickasaw Association met with the Cherry Creek Baptist Church on Sept. 14th, 1897.

The Introductory Sermon was preached by the appointee, Rev. John Thompson. Scripture Lesson, Phil. 1st chapter, Text: Phil. 1, 20, Theme: "Magnifying Christ at any cost." At the close of the sermon, prayer was offered by Rev. L. R. Burress, after which the Association was adjourned for refreshments until 2 o'clock.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Called together by song. The Moderator read a part of the 40th division of the Psalms, and prayer by Rev. L. R. Burress.

Brethren W. M. Berry and H. Marshall were appointed reading Clerks.

The letters from the different churches were called for and read

LIST OF DELEGATES.

Philadelphia Church, W. C. Beard, W. H. Jones and G. F. Bonds. Cypress Creek Church, P. F. Goolsby, A. H. Hale, M. C. Butler and T. W. Avent, Alt. Temperance Hill Church, J. M. Shadrick, F. C. Caldwell, J. W. Boatwright and T. B. Caldwell, Alt. Amaziah Church, J. R. Ruff, J. M. Fields, S. G. Eloyd and W. C. Gillen, Alt. Friendship Church, W. L. Souter, J. R. Hill, W. A. Gooch, and L. A. Souter, Alt. New Albany Church, Rev. John Thompson, E. Y. Reaves, J. T. Swain and G. W. Johnson, Alt. New Hope Church, Cullen L. Pitts, W. H. Seale, J. M. Smith and W. N. Johnson, Alt. Shiloh Church, J. M. Sparas, J. N. York, W. B. Huckaby and J. H. Welch, Alt. Piney Grove Church, W. H. Miller, E. M. Forshee, J. W. Waldrop, and W. H. Tater, Alt. Bethel, L. C. Church, A. N. Singleton, G. H. Evans, T. N. Bray, Liberty Church, B. J. Caldwell, W. J. Ball, S. J. Fitzgerald, E. B. Caldwell, Alt. Bethel, U. C. Church, J. H. Robbins, J. S. Dyson, W. P. Todd, W. M. Hearn, Alt. Cherry Creek Church, W. R. Spencer, V. B. Tucker, R. L. Pitts and A. D. Tucker, Alt. Bay Springs Church, M. I. Quick, Charles Wolverton, A. R. Wilson,

K. C. Morgan, Alt. Abbeville Church. Ben. Betts, W. E. Ware, Walter Tyler and J. W. Dives, Alt. Mt. Pleasant Church, J. C. Bailey, J. R. Sumner, I. Smith and G. F. Cullins, Alt. Pleasant Hill Church, M. T. Snipes, W. K. Daniel, W. J. Robbins and J. B. Robbins, Alt. Tula Church, J. J. Gibson, J. S. Hubbard, W. P. Winter and W. L. Mullens, Alt. Tocapola Church. F. M. Ferrell, Amos Davis, W. M. Hodges and C. C. Lauderdale, Alt. Oak Grove Church, J. M. Hamrick, Perry Henry, I. N. Dodds. Myrtle Church, W. M. Robbins, L. R. Baker, T. L. Ruff. Spring Creek Church, W. H. Mitchell, H. D. Blaylock, N. J. Bishop, and J. T. Brown, Alt. Macedonia Church, C. W. Smith, I. M. Gray, C. C. Jordon, J. W. Wrea, alt. Salem Church, J. P. Rodgers, J. H. Morgar, H. H. Kirk and J. A. Raffield, Alt. Mt. Pisgah Church, R. F. Maxey, W. I. Handcock, J. T. Smith and J. A. Beard, Alt. Duncan Creek Church, W. C. Farrar, T. J. Wood, Joe Gray, and J. W. Tucker, Alt. Fredonia Church, T. R. Black, J. M. Parrish, S. J. Homes, C. A. McGraw, Alt. Midway Church, A. V. Davis, Henry Starne, S. R. Brown and T. H. Wynn, Alt. Spring Hill Church, W. A. Rogers, W. A. Mayo, O. B. Souter and J. H. Castles, Alt. Valley Church, J. W. Tate, N. J. Treadaway, W. F. Tate and W. H. Russell, Alt. Turnpike Church, John Smutherman, T. C. Conlee. Shady Grove Church, J. H. Dowdy, W. H. Kidd and John Swords.

The Moderator now declared the body ready for permanent organization.

Brethren Frank Souter, of the Aberdeen Association and L. B. Burrell, of the Tishomingo Association were appointed tellers to hold the election which resulted in electing Rev. I. Smith, Moderator; B. O. Garner, Treasurer; and V. B. Tucker, Clerk.

The Moderator made some very appropriate remarks, after which announced the Association ready for the transaction of business.

On motion of Rev. J. R. Sumner, the old order of business was amended by substituting in its stead an order arranged by Brother Sumner, in order to bring up some reports that were not in the old order, to wit:

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

I. Call for:

- 1st Petitionary letters.
- 2nd Correspondents.
- 3rd. Report on Missions.
- 4th Report on Mississippi College and Education.
- 5th. Report of the Executive Committee.
- 6th. Report on Sunday Schools.
- 7th. Report on Prohibition.
- 8th. Report on Woman's Work.
- 9th. Report on State of Religion.

10th. Report on Family Prayer.

11th. Report on Documents and Publications.

12th. Report on Finance.

II. Determine the place of next meeting.

III. 1st Elect minister to preach Introductory Sermon.

2nd. Elect minister to preach the Missionary Sermon.

3rd. Elect minister to preach the Doctrinal Sermon.

IV. Appoint:

1st. Correspondents.

2nd. Standing Committees.

V. Attend to General business.

VI. Adjourn.

A motion was made by Rev. John Thompson, fixing the times of meeting and adjourning during the Session, to wit: Meet at 8:30 A M; Adjourn at 12:00 A M; Meet at 2:00 P. M; Adjourn at 4:00 P. M.

The Moderator appointed as Devotional Committee, Brethren B. J. Caldwell, M. T. Snipes, W. H. Seale, W. R. Spencer and Rev. R. A. Cooper.

Called for correspondents, and the Moderator gave the hand of welcome to Bro. G. W. Riley, of the Calhoun; Bro. Steve Turner, of the Judson; Brethren D. W. Towler, Frank Souter and R. A. Cooper, of the Aberdeen; Bro. L. R. Burrese, of the Tishomingo; Bro. G. W. Potter, of the Cold Water and Brethren A. F. Golding, J. C. Handcock and Terrell Beaks, of the West Judson Associations.

The Devotional committee reported that Rev. F. M. Ferrell preach at this church to night.

On a motion of Bro. W. L. Souter, the Moderator was instructed to appoint all the committees needed by this body when ever he sees proper, to do so.

On motion of Bro. W. L. Souter, a committee on nominations was ordered to be appointed by the Moderator to make a report before this body

On motion of Bro. W. R. Spencer, the association was adjourned until 8½ o'clock on tomorrow morning.

SECOND DAY—MORNING SESSION, SEPT. 15, 1897.

Called together by song, after which the Moderator read a part of the 12th chapter of Romans, and prayer was offered by Bro. W. L. Souter.

Minutes of the first day were read and corrected.

The Moderator again called for correspondents and gave the hand of welcome to Rev. St. Clair Lawrence and Rev. W. G. Thompson, of the Tippah Association.

The report on Missions was called for, and the following report was read by Rev. W. P. Winter to wit:

When we refer to Missions it is not in a restricted sense, hence we have associational, State, Home and Foreign Missions and these constitute the different phases of our Mission work. In order to understand the responsibility resting upon us, as servants of the blessed Master, we have but to look at the plain teaching of God's word, Jesus said, Mark 16:15: "Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature." This is His last commission. He said, Preach the Gospel to every creature because every creature has an interest in it, and every creature has an interest in the Gospel because Christ died for all. 1st Tim; 2nd Chap, 6th verse: "Who gave Himself a ransom for all," etc.

In Psalms 96:3, we have: "Declare His Glory among the heathen, His wonders among all the people." We notice that the subject of the verb, declare, is you, or ye, understood. Now the you, or ye, is the Christian. So you see God calls on the saved to declare His glory among the heathen. This we do by our person, prayer and contributions. Jesus said again, Acts 1:8: "Ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth."

This expression of the Savior included all that is meant in Missionary work. Hence we see God's word clearly teaches Missions. Christ said if a man loves me he will keep my word. We herewith give general report of work done by missionaries in the state

No. of Days of Actual Service	6,500
" Miles Traveled	25,000
" Stations	137
" Sermons preached	3,850
" Church prayer meetings attended	1,250
" Families visited religiously	5,000
" Persons baptized	547
" Baptized by others in meetings where I labored	645
" Received by letter	429
" Restored church fellowship	89
" Churches organized	13
" Sunday Schools organized	25
" Officers, Teachers and Scholars in same	500
" Total No. of Sunday Schools	70
" Officers, Teachers and Scholars in same	5,000
" Sunday School addresses delivered	140
" Pages of tracts distributed	32,000
" Subscribers obtained for record	268
Money collected for personal services	\$2,000
" " for State Missions	\$1,100
" " for other purposes	\$2,100
" Houses of worship commenced	11

No. Houses of worship finished.....	10
" " of worship repaired.....	5
Value houses of worship.....	\$6,000

Respectfully submitted.

Signed by Committee,

W. P. WINTER,
J. J. GIBSON.

Discussed by Brethren J. J. Gibson, John Thompson, G. W. Potter and L. R. Burress, and on motion of Rev. J. R. Sumner, was adopted. The hour having arrived for preaching business was suspended.

By request, the Mission Sermon was preached by Rev. W. P. Winter. Scripture lesson, part of 8th chapter Acts. Prayer by Rev. G. W. Potter. Text Mark 16:15.

After sermon: Dismissed with prayer by Rev. R. A. Cooper.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Called together by song and prayer by Rev. W. M. Gadd.

The Moderator appointed as a Finance Committee, Brethren John Thompson, F. M. Ferrell and M. I. Quick.

The Devotional committee made the following report, to wit:

Bro. G. W. Biley to preach in the Grove this afternoon and Bro. L. R. Burress to preach here in the church to night and Bro. W. R. Farrar to preach in the Ecru School House to night.

A Resolution was offered by Rev. W. J. Ball and amended by Rev. John Thompson, limiting all speeches before this body to 15 minutes.

The following on Mississippi College and Education was read by Rev. J. R. Sumner, to wit:

During the Session of 1896—1897, there were employed eleven instructors, who gave instruction in English, Mathematics, German, French, Latin, Greek, Natural Science, History, Oratory, Book Keeping, Mental and Moral Sciences and Bible Studies.

There were enrolled 229 pupils, of this number there were 216 whose homes are in Miss. They came from 48 counties of the State. There were seven from La., and two from Texas. There was one from Ala., one from Ark., one from Tenn. and one from Mexico.

There were 35 Ministerial Students, of this number, 24 received aid from the Board of Ministerial Education. Sixteen students graduated, two of this number were preachers.

The college needs \$50,000 increase in its endowment fund. To raise this amount, each white Baptist of the State of Miss. is asked to contribute at least \$1.00 Your committee recommend that the Executive Board of this Association lay this matter before the

churches and ask each church to raise an amount equal to \$1.00 per member.

JOHN THOMPSON, }
J. R. SUMNER. } Com.

Discussed by Brethren Frank Souter and L. R. Burress, and on motion of Bro. H. D. Blaylock the report was adopted.

Bro. W. M. Gadd read a report on Sunday Schools, the following is the report as amended by a motion of Bro. J. J. Gibson.

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

The need of Sunday Schools is admitted by our churches. Their usefulness is no longer questioned by our people. The foregoing being admitted, the question is how shall the Sunday School work be promoted.

1st. Let our pastors preach at least once each year to their congregations of the Sunday School work and where there is no school assist in organizing.

2nd. Let system be maintained, have an hour for meeting, also adjournment, be prompt in this.

3rd. Let students recite and teachers direct work; Superintendent review teachers and students, not more than ten minutes. Let him review, not lecture.

4th. We recommend for the use of Superintendents and teachers in preparing the lessons, and for the use of the entire school, 1st. The Literature of the Southern Baptist Sunday School Board. 2nd. The Literature of the American Baptist Publication Society.

5th. Let a choir be organized and three songs be sung in keeping with the lesson.

6th. Be sure that not only Superintendents, but teachers, be persons that will go to God in prayer for the success of the school.

7th. We respectfully ask that the Moderator appoint three as a committee to prepare a syllabus on Sunday School work to report at next session of this body.

Respectfully Submitted,

W. M. GADD, Chairman.

Discussed by Brethren J. J. Gibson, J. W. Boatwright, G. W. Potter, John Thompson, W. G. Thompson and V. B. Tucker, and on motion of Bro. J. R. Sumner, the report was adopted.

REPORT ON PROHIBITION.

As read by Bro. M. I. Quick, to wit: Dear Brethren, we wish to embody in this report all we deem necessary to say in reference to Prohibition. We do so in as condensed form as possible. Judging from the amount of money spent for whiskey and the number of gallons drank that there must be of the (70,000,000) seventy mil-

lion people of these U. S., at least (5,000,000) five million drunkards, and of that number there are certainly (100,000) one hundred thousand crazy from its effect. We conclude that one maniac with the modern implements of destruction in hand is equivalent to five vicious beasts.

Brethren, think of it, to have (5,000,000) five million human destroyers of life, of happiness and peace, in fact everything that goes to make all things enjoyable in this world and especially in the world to come. It is true there is some restraint thrown around the beast but around the drunkard there is none until he has committed some horrible deed. In this State of affairs what must be done? First, let the church cleanse herself by restricting herself to only those that will abstain from drunkenness, and that will not aid in the whiskey traffic in any form. Then having taken the beam from our own eye, we might have some claims to pick the mote from the governments eye under which we live, for you must know that the greater part of this government's expenses are drawn by means from two of the Devil's chief agents, whiskey and tobacco. Ask yourselves, Brethren, whether God will continue his blessings to people who refuse to come up to the help of the Lord against the mighty power composed of all manner of intoxication along with opiates and tobacco. Oh! Brethren, if we could but look in upon the dens and hovels and their wildness, the woe and misery caused by dissipation, many of us would have no patience with the social dram drinking, and that too when those that are under its influence and power are crying unto us—Ye men of God remove the temptation far from us for we have no control of ourselves. God help us to act at once is the wish of your committee.

M. I. QUICK.

Discussed by Brethren L. R. Burrese, Frank Souther, D. W. Fowler, John Thompson, I. M. Gray and G. W. Potter, and on motion of Bro. J. R. Sumner the report was adopted.

On motion of Bro. H. D. Blaylock the Association was adjourned till 8½ o'clock on tomorrow morning. Dismissed by Bro. W. C. Gillen.

THIRD DAY—MORNING SESSION.

Body called together by song service. Scripture lesson read by the Moderator, 1st Psalm. Prayer by Rev. W. M. Gadd.

Minutes of second day read and adopted.

Report on Woman's Work read by Bro W. L. Souther to wit: The Women of our Southern Baptist Convention and of our own state, have by their noble and unselfish work in helping to spread the Gospel of the blessed Son of God, demonstrated the wisdom of the Great Creator when he said: "It is not good that man should be

alone" and in support of our position, we cite the following Statistics. In nine years the women of the S. B. Convention have raised for missions \$410,565.72. During the first year they raised \$30,773.69. Last year they gave to Foreign Missions \$23,476.33. To Home Missions \$29,931.31, making an aggregate of \$53,407.64, which is about one-sixth of our Foreign Missions and about one-third of the Home Missions receipts. In connection with the above there are no salaried officers, so that their expenses last year was only \$1,855.66, which was for printing, type writing, postage, stationery, expressage, etc.

The Union is something more than a collecting agency. It does a distinct and needed work. It puts into operation plans for special contributions. Sends boxes of supplies to Missionaries that have to the present amounted to thousands of dollars. 125,000 leaflets and pamphlets were distributed last year, besides other work of various kinds, all to the credit of women. According to numerical strength the women of Mississippi are in the front rank, with the women of our sister states, in their efforts to evangelize the world for Christ, and in view of these facts, we would impress it upon the Brethren of this Association, to do all in their power to aid and encourage them in the great work which they are so faithfully and successfully doing.

Respectfully Submitted,

W. L. SOUTER,
H. MARSHALL.

Discussed by Brethren W. L. Souter, G. W. Potter and John Thompson and on motion of Bro. H. D. Blaylock, the report was adopted.

The Report of the Executive Committee was read by V. B. Tucker.

Your Executive Committee reports: That we made apportionments to each church as directed by the last association and had it printed in the minutes, so that each church would be sure to get it if they got the minute. We also sent letters to each church asking the amount to pay tee expenses of our delegate to the Southern Baptist Convention and received \$13.75.

We realize that all are not doing our duty, therefore we earnestly urge that all honor God with their substance according as the Lord has prospered us.

We are made sad to say that we lost by death one of our most valuable and esteemed members, N. M. Berry, who was always ready to help in every good word and work.

Respectfully Submitted,

W. R. SPENCER, Chairman.
B. J. Caldwell, J. C. Baily, John R. Hill and V. B. Tucker.

On motion of Bro J. W. Boatwright, the report of the Executive Committee was adopted and that we have printed in connection with this report the last letter ever written to the Association by our much loved Brother N. M. Berry, who, since our last meeting has gone to his reward. This letter was written by our beloved brother for the Executive Board and distributed by the Board to all the churches of the Association.

TO THE CHURCHES OF THE CHICKASAW ASSOCIATION.

Decay, Darkness, Desolation, Death. These ominous words have borne with much weight on our hearts ever since we heard the small amounts that the Churches of our Association contributed during the last year. It is within the memory of some now living, when the old Chickasaw Association was a body of liberality, when sacrifices for the dear Lord were made, and made willingly, yes, joyfully. The spirit of Missions, which is the Spirit of Christ, seemed to be the controlling thought of the main workers of those happy days. In those days we heard of more brotherly love than we do now. They all seemed to love the blessed cause of Christ, and their faith was shown by their works. Our contribution for Missions in the Chickasaw Associations have been, for the last few years, about one-third what they were in the years gone by, of which we speak. An Omissionary Baptist was a rare object. All bore some part and helped to bear the burdens of others. Can as much be said now? Do all give now as the Lord hath prospered them? Where they do not are they not in the way of the cause and prevent by their influence to give the encouragement to the young membership that it is their solemn duty to perform? This great harm is done. Their own contributions are withheld and they are responsible for their bad example to others. Is our language too strong, when we apply BAD to our conduct in withholding these mites when making up money for the Master's cause? The Scriptures are quite strong in denouncing such conduct as covetousness, which is idolatry, and God's hatred of idolatry is shown in its prohibition in the very first commandment. Dear Brethren if we fail to send the Gospel to those who have it not, how dwelleth the love of God in us? This may apply primarily to the good things of this life. But is there any good comparable with the Gospel of the Blessed God? No indeed. We regard Jesus Christ, God's dear Son, as a ransom for poor, lost sinners, as the greatest, and incomparably the best gift to the world. Can we not do something by which the dread words quoted at the head of this article may be changed? If all will make one earnest effort we believe God will bless us spiritually and temporally. Then may we write, Light, Life, Glory and Immortality, and join in the glad acclaim of the multitude of the heavenly host who sang, "Glory to God in the highest and on earth peace, good-will to men."

Faith fully Submitted,

N. M. BERRY.

The following Brethren were appointed as a nominating committee to wit: W. M. Gadd, Perry Henry, H. D. Blaylock, Wm. Jones and B. J. Caldwell.

Bro. W. C. Gillen made a verbal report on Family prayer as he was physically disabled to write one. The subject was discussed by Brethren G. W. Potter and R. A. Cooper.

The following report on Documents and Publications was read by J. W. Boatwright, to wit.

Your committee on Documents and Publications would report as follows: That it is our opinion that the Bible should be read and studied more by us and our children than it is now. We would recommend that every brother would adopt the practice of daily home reading of this the best of books. We are commanded to search and study it and we should obey the command.

We further recommend for the home the Baptist Record, Foreign Mission Journal and the Home Field, as good literature for the entire family to read, and that the Clerk superintend the printing of the minutes and that he be allowed \$7 50 for his services.

Respectfully Submitted,

J. W. BOATWRIGHT,
I. M. GRAY.

On motion of Bro. J. J. Gibson, the report was amended by adding also the Baptist Layman to the list.

The time having arrived for the preaching of the Doctrinal Sermon, Rev. J. R. Sumner took the stand and read as a Scripture Lesson 5th chapter of Ephesians. Text, 1st Timothy, 3rd chapter, 14:15. Theme, A Church of the Lord Jesus Christ. Its membership. Its independency.

At the close of sermon, prayer by Rev. W. G. Thompson.
Adjourned for refreshments.

THIRD DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Called together by song. Prayer by Rev. John Thompson.

The following is the report made by the committee on Finance:

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE.

To Associational Minute Fund.....	\$25.40
" Foreign Missions.....	12 40
" Home Missions.....	5.00
" State Missions.....	10 00
" Mississippi College.....	2.50
" Ministerial Education.....	5.40
Total.....	60.70

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By Paid to A. D. Tucker Treasurer.....\$35.30
 " " " V. B. Tucker Clerk for Minutes,..... 25.40

Total to Balance.....\$60.70

Respectfully Submitted,

JOHN THOMPSON,
 F. M. FERRELL.

On motion of Bro. H. D. Blaylock, the report was adopted.

The Moderator gave the hand of welcome to Bro. F. E. Pitts, as messenger from the West Judson Association.

The committee on Nominations made the following report.

Your Committee on Nominations beg leave to make the following report:

1st. The Old Executive Board continued.

2nd. Place for next meeting.—Philadelphia. *

3rd. To preach Introductory Sermon.—J. S. Hubbard J. J. Gibson, Alt.

4th. To preach Mission Sermon.—C. W. Smith. W. P. Winter, Alt.

4th. Doctrinal Sermon.—John Thompson. I. M. Gray, Alt

Respectfully Submitted,

W. M. GADD, Chairman.

B. J. Caldwell, Perry Henry, H. D. Blaylock, W. H. Jones.

The above report was amended by striking out of the order of business the Mission Sermon and the Doctrinal Sermon, and on motion of J. W. Boatwright, the report as amended was adopted.

On motion of Bro. J. R. Sumner, Bro. W. P. Winter was appointed as delegate to the next Southern Baptist Convention, with V. B. Tucker as Alternate.

On motion of Bro. W. L. Souther, the Executive Committee and the Treasurer were instructed to raise money to pay the balance due Bro John Thompson for Railroad fare to the last S. B. Convention and to pay our delegates way to the next S. B. Convention.

A public collection was taken to pay the balance due Bro. John Thompson, collection amounting to \$5.95, which amount was paid over to Bro. John Thompson.

The Treasurer made the following report, to wit:

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Sept 16th 1896, To amount on hand, Missions.....\$73.63

DR.

Dr.

Oct. 31st 1896,	From Cherry Creek free-will offering.....	\$ 5 85
Nov. 19th "	" Myrtle Sunday School, Missions.....	1.00
Dec. 6th "	" Cherry Creek, Foreign Missions.....	39 00
" 10th "	" New Albany Foreign Missions.....	12.75
Jan. 1st 1897	" Mt. Pleasant " ".....	17.55
" 18th "	" Liberty, " ".....	10.00
Feb. 4th "	" Cherry Creek, Missions.....	10.00
Mar. 23rd "	" La. M. S. Cherry Creek, Frontier Mis'ns.	5 45
" " "	" S. S. at Cherry Creek. Home Missions.	5 25
April 5th "	" Cherry Creek, Home Missions.....	26.00
" 15th "	" Liberty, Home Missions.....	3 70
" " "	" Liberty, Asso. Missions.....	1 10
" " "	" Macedonia, Missions.....	6.50
" 20th "	" Philadelphia, Missions.....	7.00
" " "	" L. M. S. Philadelphia, Missions.....	1.00
" 23rd "	" Mt. Pleasant, Home Missions.....	13.71
" " "	" " " Asso. Missions.....	2.75
" 24th "	" Friendship, Missions.....	9.80
" 26th "	" Oak Grove, Foreign Missions.....	9.00
" " "	" " " Asso. Missions.....	1.00
" 27th "	" Pleasant Hill, Missions.....	3.85
" 28th "	" Cypress Creek, Asso. Missions.....	1.40
May 1st "	" Poplar Springs, Foreign Missions.....	12.00
" " "	" " " Asso. Missions.....	1.00
" " "	" Cherry Creek " ".....	1.65
" 2nd "	" Toccoopa, " ".....	1 00
" 2nd "	" Friendship, " ".....	1.15
" 9th "	" Fredonia, Missions.....	6.00
" 15th "	" Friendship, Asso. Missions.....	.20
" 22nd "	" Fredonia, Missions.....	3.25
" 29th "	" Spring Hill, Missions.....	3 75
" 30th "	" New Hope Asso. Missions.....	1.50
June 1st "	" Mt. Pleasant, Foreign Missions.....	8 50
" 15th "	" Macedonia, Missions.....	3 50
Aug. 18th "	" Sale of Story of the Bible.....	72
Sept. 14th "	" Duncan Creek, For. Missions.....	2.55
Sept. 14th "	" Fredonia Foreign Missions.....	1.95
Sept. 14th "	" New Hope Asso. Missions.....	1.00
Sept. 14th "	" Cherry Creek, Miss. College.....	13.20
Sept. 14th "	" Shiloh, Missions.....	4.50
Sept. 14th "	" Oak Grove, Missions.....	.25
Sept. 14th "	" Temperance Hill, Missions.....	4 70
Sept. 16th "	" Bay Springs, Foreign Missions.....	2.00
Sept. 16th "	" Midway, Foreign Missions.....	.75
Sept. 16th "	" Philadelphia, Foreign Missions.....	1 05
Sept. 16th "	" Bethel, Foreign Missions.....	6.60

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Sept. 16th	"	"	Salem, Foreign Missions.....	4.00
"	"	"	Midway, Home ".....	.50
"	"	"	Mt. Pisgah, Home Missions.....	2.00
"	"	"	Amaziah, " ".....	1.50
"	"	"	Philadelphia, " ".....	1.00
"	"	"	New Albany, State ".....	10.00
"	"	"	Tula, Miss. College.....	2.50
"	"	"	New Albany, Ministerial Ed.....	5.40

Total Amount.....\$378 66

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Sept. 24th, 1896,	Ry	amount sent to A. V. Rowe.....	\$73.63
Dec. 3rd	"	" " " " R. J. Willingham.....	5 85
" 7th	"	" " " " A. V. Rowe.....	40.00
" 14th	"	" " " " A. V. Rowe.....	12.75
Jan 5th 1897	"	" " " " A. V. Rowe.....	17.55
" 22nd "	"	" " " " A. V. Rowe.....	10.00
Feb. 6th	"	" " " " A. V. Rowe.....	10.00
Mar. 25th	"	" " " " A. V. Rowe.....	10 70
Apr. 12th	"	" " " " A. V. Rowe.....	26.00
" 16th	"	" " " " A. V. Rowe.....	10 20
" 24th	"	" " " " A. V. Rowe.....	31 51
" 28th	"	" " " " A. V. Rowe.....	12 85
May 3rd	"	" " " " A. V. Rowe.....	11.05
" 4th	"	" " " " A. V. Rowe.....	12.00
" 17th	"	" " " " A. V. Rowe.....	6.00
" 28th	"	" " " " A. V. Rowe.....	3.25
June 2nd	"	" " " " A V Rowe.....	3 75
" 3rd	"	" " " " A. V. Rowe.....	8 50
" 19th	"	" " " " A. V. Rowe.....	3 50
" " "		By Amount of Postage to date.....	.72
Sept. 13th	"	By amount Associational Fund on hand.....	1.70
" 16th	"	By Cash on hand to Balance.....	67.15

By Total Amount.....\$378.66

Auditing Committee appointed, consisting of Brethren J. W. Boatwright and H. D. Blaylock.

REPORT OF AUDITING COMMITTEE.

We your committee to examine Treasurer's books, find the same correct

J. W. BOATWRIGHT,
H. D. BLAYLOCK.

On motion of Rev. J. R. Sumner, the reports were adopted.

Report on State of Religion as read by Rev. J. H. Morgan.

We your committee report as follows: We find by examination that there has been an increase of fifty-seven members in our bounds above the increase reported last year. We also find a small falling off in the contributions to Missions and Education. By the above we think that Spiritually we have increased, but the spirit of missions not what it should be, and we recommend each pastor to preach one sermon each quarter to every church in his charge on Missions and Education.

Respectfully Submitted,

J. H. MORGAN.

W. A. BRATTON.

On motion of Bro. W. P. Winter, the report was adopted.

MINUTE FUND

Bethel U. C. Church	\$.55
Oak Grove "	1.50
Piney Grove "	.45
Shiloh "	1.00
Midway "	.45
Toccopola "	.70
Spring Hill "	.50
Friendship "	1.05
Bay Springs "	.70
New Albany "	1.20
Myrtle "	.35
Cypress Creek "	.80
Amaziah "	1.00
Pleasant Hill "	1.00
Mt. Pisgah "	.80
Philadelphia "	.80
Macedonia "	1.35
Tulu "	.55
Salem "	.50
Duncan Creek "	.90
Bethel L. C. "	.65
Temperance Hill Church	.75
Mt. Pleasant "	1.90
Fredonia "	1.00
Spring Creek "	.30
New Hope "	.75
Liberty "	1.20
Cherry Creek "	2.70
Balance left over of last year's Minute Fund	\$ 2.00
Total amount of Minute Fund	27.40

The Moderator called for volunteers to go to the Associations with which we usually correspond.

For the Calhoun Association.—J. J. Gibson, W. P. Winter and F. M. Ferrell. For the Aberdeen Association.—W. H. Seale, I. Smith and V. B. Tucker. For the Cold Water Association.—H. D. Blaylock, J. H. Morgan, W. P. Winter, W. L. Souther and J. T. Brown. For the West Judson Association.—I. Smith, V. B. Tucker, B. J. Caldwell. For the Tippah Association.—W. L. Souther, I. M. Gray, J. H. Morgan, W. M. Gadd, W. P. Winter, J. R. Ruff and W. C. Gillen. For the Tishomingo Association.—W. L. Souther, W. P. Winter, I. M. Gray and John Thompson. For the Oxford Association.—J. J. Gibson, H. D. Blaylock, W. P. Winter and A. V. Davis. For the Yellow Bushy Association.—J. J. Gibson, W. P. Winter and F. M. Ferrell. To go to the next State Convention — John Thompson, H. D. Blaylock, J. J. Gibson.

On motion of Bro. J. R. Sumner, a committee of three were appointed to answer the question of Rev. P. A. Smith, (col.) in regard to foot washing. Committee consisting of Brethren R. A. Cooper, W. R. Spencer and V. B. Tucker.

On motion of Bro J. W. Boatwright, the clerk was instructed to use the cover for Minutes offered by the A. B. P. Society.

The following resolution was offered by Rev. John Thompson: Resolved, that we, the Chickasaw Association in session do express our appreciation and heart-felt thanks to Cherry Creek Baptist Church and community for their kind hospitality and care for us during our stay among them.

The following committees were appointed.

COMMITTEES FOR 1898.

For Missions.—J. J. Gibson and F. M. Ferrell. Miss. College and Education.—J. R. Sumner and W. R. Spencer. Report on Sunday Schools.—W. M. Gadd, Joe W. Tucker and V. B. Tucker. —Give best available statistics of the Sunday Schools of the Chickasaw Association. Prohibition.—J. C. Baily and Clarence Cullens. Woman's Work.—S. J. Fitzgerald and J. H. Morgan. State of Religion.—W. L. Souther and J. W. Tucker. Family Prayer.—I. M. Gray and M. I. Quick. Documents and Publications.—H. Marshall and R. L. Pitts.

On motion of Bro. A. D. Tucker, Bro. J. W. Tucker was appointed Assistant Treasurer of this Association.

On motion of A. D. Tucker, the Program for the next Sunday School Institute was ordered to be printed in the Minutes, which is as follows:

1st. Who should select the officers of our Sunday Schools?—Brethren W. R. Farrar and J. R. Sumner.

2nd. Should we make a distinction between the American and Southern Baptist Literature?—C. C. Hughes and J. S. Hubard.

3rd. Should a Baptist community have a union Sunday School?
—J. W. Boatwright and W. M. Gadd.

4th. Is it the duty of every member of the church to take part in and encourage the Sunday school Work?—John Thompson and V. B. Tucker.

The Vice Presidents for the different districts are as follows:

For 1st Dist. J. W. Boatwright.

" 2nd " W. M. Gadd.

" 3rd " V. B. Tucker.

" 4th " Joe W. Tucker.

The next meeting of the Sunday School Institute will be held with Liberty church 7 miles south of New Albany.

W. L. SOUTER, Pres.

V. B. TUCKER, Sec'y.

On motion of Bro. J. W. Boatwright, the minutes were left in the hand of the clerk for correction of last day's proceedings

On motion of J. W. Boatwright, the Association was adjourned to meet with Philadelphia Baptist church on Tuesday before the 3rd Sunday in September 1898.

Dismissed by prayer from Bro W. L. Souter.

REV. I. SMITH, Mod.

V. B. TUCKER, Clerk.

B. O. GARNER, Treas.

The following is the apportionment to each church by the Executive Board of the \$650.00 asked of this Association by the State Convention, for State, Foreign and Home Missions.

FOR MISSIONS.

Friendship Church	\$30.00
Amaziah "	24 50
New Hope "	19.50
Piney Grove "	20.00
Bethel L. C. "	30 00
Liberty "	21 75
Temperance Hill Church	9.75
Cherry Creek "	40 00
New Albany "	39.50
Pleasant Hill "	27 00
Philadelphia "	18.75
Bethel U. C. "	22 00
Bay Springs "	24 25
Shiloh "	21.75
Mt. Pleasant "	40 00
Myrtle "	7.50

Valley	"	10.75
Spring Hill	"	31.00
Midway	"	9.50
Fredonia	"	26.25
Duncan Creek	"	20.25
Mt. Pisgah	"	21.25
Salem	"	19.50
Shady Grove	"	22.00
Turn Pike	"	9.00
Macedonia	"	21.00
Spring Creek	"	29.00
Oak Grove	"	22.50
Toccopola	"	16.00
Tula	"	23.25
Abbeville	"	16.75
Cypress Creek	"	10.75

The Executive Committee begs each church to raise the amount opposite its name for Missions which is only 25 cts. per member and send the same to B. O. Garner, Treasurer, Ecrn, Miss., during the next Associational year.

MINISTERIAL REGISTER.

T. R. Black, Ecrn, Miss.; W. J. Ball, Wallerville, Miss.; I. Smith, Wallerville, Miss.; J. R. Sumner, Wallerville, Miss.; C. W. Smith, Darden, Miss.; W. H. Swain, Darden, Miss.; I. M. Gray, Darden, Miss.; John Thompson, New Albany, Miss.; W. M. Gadd, Avenelle, Miss.; T. H. Smith, Poolville, Miss.; W. R. Farrar, Walton, Miss.; J. H. Morgan, Bethlehem, Miss.; J. P. Rogers, Cornersville, Miss.; F. M. Ferrell, Toccopola, Miss.; W. O. Gillen, Cornersville, Miss.; W. A. Mayo, Mud Creek, Miss.; W. A. Rogers, Mud Creek, Miss.; J. J. Gibson, Tula, Miss.; J. S. Hubbard, Tula, Miss.; W. P. Winter, Tula, Miss.; W. L. Mullens, Dallas, Miss.; A. J. Jones, Galloway, Miss.; W. H. Miller, Lafayette Springs, Miss.; Thomas Garley, Lafayette, Springs, Miss.

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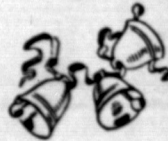
STATISTICAL TABLE.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	POST OFFICE OF PASTORS.	CLERKS.	POST OFFICE OF CLERKS.	Erased.....	Baptized.....	Received By Letter.	Restored.....	Dismissed By Letter.	Died.....	Excluded.....	Total Membership.	Pastor's Salary.	Missions.....	Miss. College And Education.	Church Expenses.	Total.....	SUPERINT'NT. OF SUN. SCHOOL.	POST OFFICE OF SUPTS.	LITERATURE Used.	No. of mos. h'd No. Pupils.....
Abbeville.....	G. W. Potter.....	Olive Branch.....	R. S. McGowen....	Abbeville.....		17	6		2			67		5 00			5 00	J. W. Davis...	Abbeville...		
Amaziah.....	J. P. Rogers.....	Cornersville.....	E. A. Baker.....	Hickory Flat.....		7	12	2	9			98		1 50			1 50				
Bay Springs.....	I. M. Gray.....	Darden.....	F. M. Baird.....	Oxford.....		16	2	2	5	1	1	88	75 00			15 50	75 00	Henry Goodwin	Esperanza..	None.....	60 6
Bethel U. C.....	A. J. Jones.....	Galloway.....	J. L. Todd.....	Esperanza.....		6	7	1	4	1		120	65 00	6 60			72 25				
Bethel L. C.....	J. S. Hubbard.....	Tula.....	A. N. Singleton...	Denmark.....		20	8		13	2		160	149 05	104 20	13 20	40 00	306 45	V. B. Tucker..	Eeru.....	Convention.	114 12
Cherry Creek.....	R. A. Cooper.....	Pontotoc.....	T. H. Spencer.....	Cherry Creek....								43	75 00	6 75		8 65	90 40	J. W. Tucker..	Thaxton....	Convention.	112 12
Cypress Creek.....	J. S. Hubbard.....	Tula.....	A. R. Owens.....	Liberty Hill.....								81	50 00	2 55		9 00	61 15				
Duncan Creek....	W. J. Ball.....	Wallerville.....	B. F. Hodges.....	Thaxton.....	6	10	9		9			120	65 00	9 85			74 85	W. L. Miller...	Eeru.....	Convention..	48 12
Friendship.....	J. J. Gibson.....	Tula.....	W. A. Gooch.....	Eeru.....		5	6		2	2	6	105	100 00	10 20			110 20	S. J. Homes...	Ingomar....	A. M. B. Pub	35
Fredonia.....	C. W. Smith.....	Darden.....	Neely Huskison...	Ingomar.....		20	2	1	4	2	2	87	57 25	14 80			72 20	B. J. Caldwell.	Wallerville..	Convention.	67 12
Liberty.....	J. A. Landers....	Blue Springs.....	W. M. Mounce....	Wallerville.....		7			2			84	50 00	10 00			60 00				
Macedonia.....	I. M. Gray.....	Darden.....	A. J. Smith.....	Darden.....		9	15		8	2	5	38	25 00	4 30			29 30				
Midway.....	T. H. Winter.....	Oxford.....	S. K. Brown.....	Abbeville.....		3			8			30	75 00	6 50		30 50	112 00				30 12
Myrtle.....	W. E. Berry.....	Blue Mountain...	J. T. Reynolds...	Myrtle.....		5	4					160	131 50	53 46	5 00	25 24	222 60	S. F. Cullens ..	Wallerville..	Kind Words	72 12
Mt Pleasant.....	John Thompson...	New Albany.....	C. S. Cullens.....	Wallerville.....		11	2		7	4	2	85		2 00		90	2 90				
Mt. Pisgah.....	J. P. Rogers.....	Cornersville.....	G. W. Bullock....	Galloway.....		10	2	1	2	1	2	158		68 05	5 40	51 05	129 05	J. T. Swain....	New Albany	A. B. Pub S	70 12
New Albany.....	John Thompson...	New Albany.....	H. Marshall.....	New Albany.....		2	12		5	4	1	77	40 00	2 50		5 00	47 50				
New Hope.....	J. H. Jenkins.....	Tupelo.....	W. H. Seal.....	Brame.....					3	1		90	52 00	10 25			62 25				
Oak Grove.....	C. W. Smith.....	Darden.....	W. M. Hargrove...	Myrtle.....		8	4		3	1	1	108	50 00	3 85		6 00	59 85				
Pleasant Hill....	I. Smith.....	Wallerville.....	R. J. Lee.....	Keownville.....			2	1	4	2		80									
Piney Grove.....	W. H. Miller.....	Lafayette Springs..	E. C. Tutor.....	Randolph.....		2	8	1	5	1	1	75	56 25	10 30			76 55				
Philadelphia.....	I. M. Gray.....	Darden.....	H. F. Baker.....	Walton.....			2		2	2	3	124	50 00	11 00		3 75	67 75	O. B. Souther...	Mud Creek..	Convention.	40 9
Spring Hill.....	F. M. Ferrell.....	Toccopola.....	O. B. Souther.....	Mud Creek.....		27	4	2	4	3		87	50 00	4 50			54 50				
Shiloh.....	I. M. Gray.....	Darden.....	J. M. York.....	Lafayette Springs..		21	10	6	7		3	116	85 00			12 00	87 00				
Spring Creek.....	C. W. Smith.....	Darden.....	E. A. Wagner.....	Waterford.....		4	2		1	4	2	88	30 00				30 00				
Shady Grove.....	W. J. Ball.....	Wallerville.....	J. T. Browning...	Ingomar.....		6	2		1		1	78	3 50				3 50	J. B. Rhew...	Cornersville	Bible.....	50
Salem.....	J. P. Rogers.....	Cornersville.....	J. B. Rhew.....	Cornersville.....		3	2	1	2	3	3	93	85 00	13 00			93 00	J. A. Vaughn...	Tula.....	Convention.	50 10
Tula.....	W. I. Hargis.....	University.....	W. B. Coleman....	Tula.....		7	22		6	3		64	80 00				80 00	W. H. Wood...	Toccopola...	A. B. Pub S	40 12
Toccopola.....	R. A. Cooper.....	Pontotoc.....	Wm. Hodges.....	Toccopola.....		9	1		4			39	56 00	5 55	1 50		63 05				
Temperance Hill..	I. R. Sumner.....	Wallerville.....	J. W. Boatwright..	Waits.....		2	1		1			36	35 00				35 00				
Tutu Pike.....	W. A. Mayo.....	Ward Creek.....	C. W. Conlee.....	Pontotoc.....			2		6	1		43									
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